



# STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources

DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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## NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION - Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation

**Web Posting: 10/11/2012**

**Deadline for Comments: 11/14/2012**

The Administrator of the Division of Environmental Protection gives notice that an application for renewal of a Water Pollution Control Permit for the **Coyote Mine**, a mining and beneficiation facility, has been properly filed with the Division of Environmental Protection in Carson City. The applicant for the Major Modification of Water Pollution Control Permit **NEV0094113** is:

**Nevada Milling and Mining, LLC**  
**Coyote Mine**  
**P.O. Box 209**  
**Searchlight, NV 89046**

The facility is located on private land in Clark County, within Township 28 South, Range 63 East, Sections 14, 15, 22, and 23 Mount Diablo Baseline and Meridian (MDB&M), approximately 1.5 miles north of the town of Searchlight.

The project consists of an underground mining and physical separation (gravity separation) facility, designed to extract gold, with a maximum permitted production rate of 36,499 tons of ore per year. The facility is comprised of mine, gravity separation facility settling ponds, and wells. No chemicals are authorized for use in the process. Facilities are required to be designed, constructed, operated and closed without any discharge or release in excess of those standards established in regulation except for meteorological events which exceed the design storm event.

The Administrator is constrained to either issue the Major Modification of the Water Pollution Control Permit or to deny the application. The Administrator has made the tentative decision to issue the renewal permit.

Persons wishing to comment upon the proposed Water Pollution Control Permit, to recommend terms and conditions for consideration of incorporation into the permit, or who request a public hearing pursuant to Nevada Administrative Code (NAC) Chapter 445A, must submit their written comments, objections, or requests by hand delivery, United States Postal Service, facsimile, or e-mail no later than 5:00 PM on the 30<sup>th</sup> day following the date of

publication of this notice (publication date October 15, 2012 and submittal deadline November 14, 2012) to:

**Division of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Mining Regulation and Reclamation  
901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001  
Carson City, Nevada 89701-5249**

All comments, objections, or requests received during the public notice period will be considered in the final determination regarding this Water Pollution Control Permit. If the Division determines written comments or requests indicate a significant degree of public interest in this matter, the Administrator shall schedule a public hearing in accordance with the requirements of NAC 445A.405.

The draft Water Pollution Control Permit and all application documents are on file at the Division and are available for public inspection and copying pursuant to NRS 445A.665. For more information, contact Rob Kuczynski, P.E. at (775) 687-9441.